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1. The following is a summary of an order, dated 22 February 1947, by the Chief of the SMA Transport Division, Major General Kvashnin, calling for more efficient execution of railway transport and unloading plans.
2. The order decried the fact that during the first twenty days of February 1947 the railway transport plan had come within only seventy-one percent of fulfillment; the unloading plan, within only seventy percent. As a result, industries in the Soviet Zone of Occupation were working irregularly: raw materials, materiel, and fuel were not being delivered to the factories on time. The Presidents of the State Railways Directorates of Erfurt, Magdeburg, and Halle (Messrs. Dittforth, Nabitz, and Oelkers) were singled out for specific blame.
3. At the yards of the Magdeburg State Railways Directorate, out of an average total of 2,200 waiting freight cars loaded with local goods, only 800 to 850 were being unloaded per day. In the Erfurt State Railways Directorate yards, out of a total of 3,200 carloads of local goods, only 750 to 800 were being unloaded daily. In the Halle State Railways Directorate yards, out of a total of 3,800 carloads of local goods, only 1,600 to 1,800 were being unloaded daily.

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